

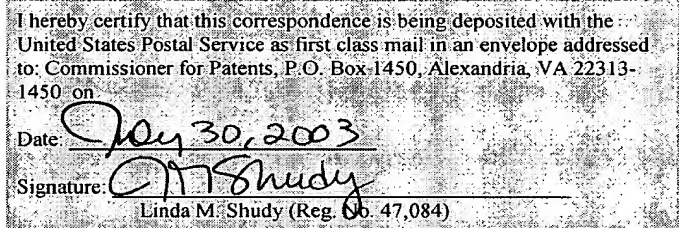
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Joerg SCHWENK et al.
Serial No. : 09/937,923
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For : METHOD FOR GENERATING IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 30, 2003, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following:

IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the Title with the following:

--METHOD FOR GENERATING IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend without prejudice claims 19, 20, 23, 26, 28 and 29, as follows:

19. (Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

converting a first predefinable natural number n1 of digits of the binary number into a first decimal number d1;

wherein:

the first predefinable natural number n1 of digits is selected so as to yield a first natural number z1 such that a quotient $2^{n1}/(z1*9)$ is close to 1;

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